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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. Of: KATOH  
Serial No.: 09/707,815  
Filed: November 7, 2000  
For: IMAGE TAKING APPARATUS  
Group: 2615  
Examiner: SELBY, GEVELL V. DOCKET: NEC DP-689

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AMENDMENT A

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Official Action mailed May 21, 2004.

Please amend the Application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this Amendment. A Replacement Specification and Marked copy of the Replacement Specification accompany this Amendment.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this Amendment.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 14 of this Amendment.

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